

Weekly Bulletin for Mon 6th to Fri 10th December 2021

Holy Cross Boys' Primary School

H.C.B School of Philosophy House System Winners

Rainbow Room: John Og Robinson Taylor **P1B:** Ronan McGrath & Leon Mailey **P1M:** Lorcan Sproule & Roan Wheelan
2F: Conan Magee & Kaelan Gilvary **P2J:** Kieron Og Kearns & Conan Donnelly **P3M:** Riley Braniff & Colm Oglavery
P3L: Haiden Toner & Jake Mailey **P4W:** Ciaran Gormley and Micheal Millen **P4L:** Junior Mervyn Sharma & Ronan Burns
P5J: Jack Stewart & Junior Brady Evans **P5W:** Riley Harper & Logan Magill **P6C:** Riley McNally & Aidan Travers
6Mc: Conghal McTasney & Finlay Che Gallagher **7H:** Gerard Mailey & Kyle Magee **7B:** Liam Crawford & Sean Og Hawkins

Solitude Friday Visit: Well done to the following boys who were selected to go to Solitude on Friday for a coaching session on the pitch with our two current staff members and local football stars Tony Kane (Dundela FC) and Joe Gormley (Cliftonville FC). The boys were selected for their outstanding attitude and behaviour. Thanks so much to Cliftonville FC and especially Imelda Pettigrew for the use of their superb facilities every Friday. P4: Sean Murphy, Pearse McCrudden, Alex Cameron & Caleb McCann P5: Corey Smyth, Oisín Brennan, Sean Og Copeland & Kaiden Boyle-McAllister P6: Ryland Perry, Conghal McTasney Burke, Pearse Maguire & Kieron James Foster P7: Conor Mailey, Caelan Foster, Joe Cosgrove & Stefan Frederick.

Bradley Manor Carol Party - P5W Rm9 delighted the residents with their beautiful carol singing on Friday (pic below).

Primary 1 Admissions for September 2022: The application procedure opens on 10th January 2022 at noon and closes on 28 Jan 2022 at noon.

Attendance: Well done to those boys **302/400 (76 %)**, who had 100% attendance for last week and will now receive their Written Homework Passes for this Thursday 9th December 2021. Whole School average attendance for last week was **91 %**.

Punctuality: A specific Punctuality Monitor (over a two-week period is scheduled from Mon 17th to Fri 28th January 2022) will be kept on a daily basis to help target parents and pupils with difficulties in this regard. Meetings will then be scheduled with parents on this matter and letters will be sent out to articulate our concerns.

Philosophy: Mr McAreev continues to deliver thought provoking Philosophy Enquiries. This week, the boys discussed the story of The Scorpion and the Frog – Is it in our nature to do things and who owns responsibility?

Boxing: P4, 6 & 7 boys thoroughly enjoyed their 2nd boxing session in the Ardoyne Youth Club last Wednesday with the Irish Athletic boxing Association (IABA). This will continue every Wednesday until the Christmas holidays.

Gaelfast - Handball: The Primary 5 and 6 classes loved their final and 10th session of handball coaching (in Ardoyne Youth Club) with local handball star, Seán Ó'Cléirigh last week. Thanks so much to Sean, Gaelfast and the Ardoyne Youth Club for the use of their facilities (pic below).

Mental Health Awareness continues for P6 and 7 pupils on Thursday 9th December with Joe Watson.

Uberheroes will visit P7H, P6M and P7B from 9.30am to 12.00noon this Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Accelerated Reader: Top Readers on Fri 3rd Dec 2021: **P4L:** Nathan Doherty, **P4W** Eoghan Cromie, **P5J** Cain Whelan, **P5W** Jack Murphy, **P6C** Christian Smyth, **P6M** Jack Murphy, **P7B** Caleb McCartan and **P7H** Ethan Mullan. **Total Word Count:** 19,921,957

Christmas events coming up during December 2021: Christmas Dinner (date change) will now be this Wed 8th December. The boys may wear their Christmas jumper to school. **Virtual Pantomime** - Little Red on Fri 10th Dec at 11am. **Seasonal day of celebration** on Thur 16th Dec. **Christmas Show (P1-3)** - A video link of the P1 to 3 class performances will be sent out on the School Jotter app on Fri 17th Dec and the **P7 Carol Service** will be on Mon 20th Dec 2021 at 1pm in the church.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Rio Cooke-Faulkner
Tomas Cosgrove
Joseph Thompson
Rio Lawlor
Jamie Burns
Jack Frame



Diary Dates

- *Christmas Dinners on Wed 8th Dec: Pupils should wear Christmas jumpers on this occasion.
- *Christmas Show (P1-3): Video link sent out to parents on 17/12/21
- *Christmas Celebration: Thurs 16th Dec 2021
- *Christmas Hols: Early finish on Wed 22nd Dec. Pupils return on Mon 10th Jan 2022.
- *P1 Admissions for Sept 2022: Opens 10th Jan 22 at noon.
- *Punctuality Monitor: 2 weeks 17-28 Jan 2022
- *Parent Teacher Interviews: Fri 11th Feb 2022 (phone calls)
- *Mid term: Pupil finish Thur 10th Feb & return Mon 21st Feb 2022
- *St. Patrick's Hols: Pupils have early finish on Tue 15th and return on Mon 21st March 2022.
- *Easter Hols: Pupil finish Thur 14th & return on Mon 25th Apr 22
- *Confirmation: P7H R20 Thur 10th & P7B R21 Fri 11th Mar 22.
- *First Holy Communion: P4W (Tue 24 May) & P4L (Wed 25 May).



Wellbeing Weekly

Philosophy Question: Do parallel universes exist?

Weekly Challenge: Sit for 5 minutes in a room and only listen to your breathing.

Motivational Quote: An unexamined life is not worth living. Socrates

Philosopher of the Week

Musician of the Week



Week 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Beef Burger & Gravy Mashed Potato Beans Tossed Salad Rice Pudding & Peaches	Lasagne Crunchy Coleslaw Garlic Bread Garden Peas Shortbread & Watermelon	Cod Goujons Mashed Potato Mushy Peas Tossed Salad Tartar Sauce Apple Crumble & Custard	Roast Breast of Chicken Oven Roast Potatoes Mashed Potato Diced Carrots & Parsnip Herb Stuffing & Gravy Rice Krispie Square & Custard	Breaded Chicken Bites Chips Sweetcorn Ice-cream Tub and Fruit	

YEAR	START Times	Finish Times	Friday Finishing Times
1	9.15	2.00	12.45
2	8.45	2.15	1.00
3	9.00	2.30	1.00
4	8.45	2.45	1.15
5	9.00	3.00	1.15
6	8.45	2.45	1.15
7	9.00	3.00	1.15

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